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**New City Law Requires Cyclists, Passengers
Age 14 and Younger to Wear Protective Helmets:**

City of Fairfax has adopted a new City ordinance requiring children age 14 and younger to wear protective helmets when riding or being carried on a bicycle or an electric power-assisted bicycle on highways, sidewalks, and public bicycle paths in the City.

The new City code requires that protective helmets meet the Consumer Product Safety Commission standard. The purpose of this new law is to help protect children against injuries as a result of cycling accidents.

The City of Fairfax Police Department has purchased bicycle helmets to provide to children in need. All helmets will meet the required safety standards. The Police Department will continue to host safety events in the upcoming months. All youth events will be announced on the City website (www.fairfaxva.gov), as well as our social media sites.

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